Suggested Amendment by Commissioner Dardenne:

Dear Governor Edwards:

"The Task Force at this time can offer only preliminary guidance with the following suggestions:

- 1) The Task Force does not recommend a higher state sales tax rate although we see a value in a continued review of sales tax exemptions and exclusions.
- 2) Although temporary taxes should not be a part of restructuring of Louisiana's tax system, the Task Force recommends that any additional income raised in a special session should be temporary in nature and generally should sunset in the same time frame as the sales tax increase and other tax changes imposed during the March special session.

At this stage of our work, the Task Force is keeping an open mind toward all issues but will need more time to discuss them and form recommendations. "

With our best wishes,